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Washington, D. C., Aug. 28---Tonight and Saturday, probably showers. Cooler

WEATHER

"EAT-EM-UP" TEDDY HAS A CHANCE

America's War Lord Sniffs a Possible Scrap With Poor Old Turkey

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.—Minister Leishman has called the state department that he called at the foreign office again last night and presented the American demands for an immediate investigation of the assassination of Magelssen. The minister of foreign affairs, while denying all knowledge of the affair and attempting to discredit the report, promised, on the insistence of Leishman, that an immediate investigation would follow and that the Turkish government would take immediate steps to find out and punish the guilty.

Leishman states that Macedonian conditions are growing constantly more acute and that the situation is extremely grave.

In his cablegram to Leishman last night regarding the report of an attempt to burn the Euphrates college building, Acting Secretary Loomis instructed him to demand of the Turkish government that it take immediate steps for the protection of the lives of all Americans there.

The Brooklyn will proceed with all haste to Beirut and will not wait for the Machias, which is a much slower vessel. Acting Secretary Darling this morning telegraphed the commanding officer of the Machias, at Genoa, instructing him to follow the Brooklyn to Port Said, where he is to coal and await orders. It is expected the San Francisco will accompany the Brooklyn.

It is believed that the dispatch of American warships to the scene of the murder in such haste will convince the public that the United States means to make all its demands effective. The American squadron will be useful in protecting Americans and will furnish a refuge for those who are near the seacoast.

Another urgent appeal has reached the state department from the American board of missions at Boston that immediate steps be taken for the protection of American citizens at Beirut. The board's dispatches from there for several days have represented the situation as extremely grave.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 28.—President Roosevelt received a telegram today from the state department transmitting to him a cable communication from the Turkish foreign office, disclaiming any responsibility for the murder of Magelssen and expressing regret. Secretary of State Hay arrived today to meet a former engagement and the situation in all its phases was considered.

ATTITUDE OF THE POWERS.

London, Aug. 28.—The foreign office informs the Associated Press that Great Britain certainly will not, and that it is not likely that any other power, will raise an objection to summary action on the part of the United States in connection with the assassination of Magelssen.

Berlin, Aug. 28.—A semi-official statement concerning the murder of the United States vice consul at Beirut, says: "Should Turkey ask the advice of the imperial government in this matter the imperial government would not fail to impress on the former the necessity for giving the American government the fullest satisfaction."

Paris, Aug. 28.—The assassination of the American vice consul attracts

much attention here. It is officially stated that should an American squadron go to Turkish waters the action of the United States will not be regarded by France, or other European powers, as having any political significance in connection with the near Eastern question.

Nice, France, Aug. 28.—The United States cruisers Brooklyn and San Francisco left Ville Franche this evening for Genoa and Beirut.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.—Prompt and vigorous action is being taken by the United States government to secure the punishment of the persons implicated in the assassination of United States Vice-consul William C. Magelssen at Beirut, Syria, Sunday last. Minister Leishman, at Constantinople, who reported the fact to the state department, has been instructed by the state department to demand a thorough investigation of the affair and the punishment of those involved in the crime, and the European squadron, consisting of three warships, has been ordered to proceed immediately to Beirut to support the demands of the United States minister, should this be found necessary. This latter measure was determined upon as a result of conferences which have been held over the telephone and telephone wires between the officials here with the president at Oyster Bay. The latter felt that no time should be lost in dispatching Admiral Cotton's squadron to Turkish waters, and he gave instructions to Acting Secretary Darling that immediate orders be given Admiral Cotton to proceed at once.

The president's determination to lose no time in getting the squadron to Beirut was also due in part to information received by Acting Secretary of State Loomis last night from the American Board of Missions at Boston, indicating that an attempt had been made to burn the Euphrates col-

lege buildings at Harpoot. This dispatch said:

"Information just received that an attempt had been made to burn the Euphrates college buildings. Conditions increasingly alarming. Great anxiety felt for the safety of American citizens there."

Acting Secretary Loomis last night cabled to Minister Leishman at Constantinople to make immediate demands on the Porte to take adequate measures for the protection of all Americans at Beirut and to prevent any attack on the college buildings.

Admiral Cotton's instructions are to sail at once. It is probable that he will go ahead to Beirut with the Brooklyn, leaving the San Francisco and the Machias to follow. It is estimated that the Brooklyn, going full speed, can reach Beirut within six days.

Acting Secretary Loomis received a rather remarkable cablegram from Minister Leishman, in which the latter stated that he had called at the Turkish foreign office at Constantinople last evening to inquire about the assassination of the United States vice consul, and that the minister of foreign affairs emphatically denied any knowledge of the report. He also attempted to discredit it. The cablegram gave no other information. Under the circumstances the state department officials are inclined to believe that the Turkish foreign office is not in touch with the situation at Beirut. They do not attach sufficient importance to Minister Leishman's last cablegram to prevent the squadron to sail. Acting Secretary Darling and Captain Cowles of the bureau of navigation are in conference. Acting under the instructions of the president, that Admiral Cotton's squadron be directed to sail immediately to Beirut, Acting Secretary Loomis cabled to Admiral Cotton at Nice, to proceed to Beirut at once. The president's instructions on this point will be carried out to the letter.

SIX MASKED BANDITS WORK BOLD HOLDUP

Secured Considerable Booty After Terrorizing Victims

(By Associated Press.)

McFarland, Kas., Aug. 28.—At one o'clock this morning six masked men, heavily armed, appeared at the Rock Island depot and started to enter the office door. Conductor Monnehan, of freight train No. 48, which had just pulled in, and the night baggageman, Charles Toler, attempted to block the door but the robbers forced an entrance and after taking their money and watches beat the railroad men into insensibility. They then rifled the depot of its contents and, going hurriedly to the eating house, held up and took all the valuables from half a dozen railroad men there. Passengers at the lunch counter scurried up stairs and blocked the entrance effectively. The bandits then looted the eating

house cash register and silverware, doing their work in a cool fashion after the manner of veterans. Then, apparently as a joke, they marched six of the Rock Island employees, including the night porter and baggageman, Toler, and locked them in a refrigerator car. They disappeared in an easterly direction. During the thirty minutes of their presence not a shot was fired and only Monnehan and Toler were injured. Two hours later Sheriff Frey had organized a posse, released the prisoners from the refrigerator car and galloped in pursuit.

Don't forget Stater's Madison Square Theatre company, at the Brooks all next week, including Sunday. Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c.

STORMS WORK MUCH DAMAGE

Town in Nebraska Inundated

RIVERS IN KANSAS STILL ARE RISING

Bursting of Dam Floods Portions of Butler, Pennsylvania

(By Associated Press.)

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 28.—The town of Fort Crook City, seven miles south, is under five feet of water. Only five houses remain on dry ground and fifty families are living in tents on the hills. The sudden flood was caused by a cloudburst above the town. The Missouri Pacific bridge over Papio river went out and trains on that road are abandoned today.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 28.—The predicted rise in the Kansas river is being realized. From midnight to 8 o'clock this morning the river had risen three feet, when it continued to rise at the rate of two inches an hour. Further rains west of here are reported, with the Kansas river at Lawrence, Topeka and Manhattan still rising fast. As yet no serious damage has resulted here. Early today big gangs of men were put to work at the temporary bridges here, dislodging driftwood. The Missouri here has risen two feet since yesterday.

During the day a portion of the reconstructed James bridge and ferry landing, at Armourdale, were carried away. Damage to property interests outside of the bridges, is not at all likely.

Manhattan, Kas., Aug. 28.—The Blue river here and at Marysville is falling today at the rate of three inches an hour, and at noon the Kansas river at Manhattan became practically stationary.

Topeka, Kas., Aug. 28.—The Kaw river is rising steadily at the rate of an inch an hour. The water is higher than at any time since the June flood. Car service on the Oakland line has been abandoned. The city engineer says there is no danger yet of the embankments that protect North Topeka giving away.

New York, Aug. 28.—A driving rain-storm swept across Sandy Hook this morning and increased in violence as the day advanced. There was no danger to the racers, however.

Butler, Pa., Aug. 28.—Boydstown dam, seven miles north of here, burst today, letting out two million gallons of water and inundating portions of Butler and low lying districts for miles. Great damage was done to property, but as far as known no lives were lost. Residents of the flooded district abandoned their homes and fled to the hills.

Board Will Construct County High School

The board of trustees of the county high school will proceed to cause the erection of the building in accordance with the decision of Judge Peckford restricting the cost to \$40,000. It will be necessary to raise the plans and also to re-advertise for bids.

FIRED TEACHER BY LETTER

But the Letter Cannot be Found---A Lively School Board Mixup.

All is not serene with the board of education of the capital city. Every few months there is a row among members of the board and the schools have not profited by the unseemly disturbances. The present trouble was precipitated by President Spurlock's appointment of the teachers' examining board.

Every year three teachers are designated to constitute a board to examine teachers who are appointed to teach the ensuing year. The examinations are held at the Central school building and all appointments of teachers are subject to the examinations. Should a teacher fail to pass the examination, he or she is retired.

This year President Spurlock and the board appointed on the examining board Miss Hikes, principal of the high school, Prof. Walters of the science department, and Supt. Buck. Yesterday morning when the board showed up for work Prof. McKelvey also appeared. He said he was to take Walters' place. Walters stayed on, however, until noon. There was no friction among the teachers, but in the afternoon a special session of the school board was called and President Spurlock placed on the carpet. During the heated discussion which followed, Mr. Spurlock said he had written a letter to Walters dismissing him and appointing McKelvey to his place on the committee. Walters attended the meeting and said he had received no letter or order of dismissal, and added that he believed no such letter had been written. A heated colloquy followed.

J. M. Brooks jumped up, defended Walters and denounced Spurlock. Bitter words ensued.

"I want to say," cried Brooks, pointing his finger at Spurlock, "that you never sent a letter to Walters. You are working a dirty underhanded game. You have it in for seven or eight young lady teachers and you want some one on the examining board whom you think will do your bidding; who will lower their averages, so they will lose their places and at the same time raise the average of your friends. You have lost out on every proposition on this board, now you want revenge."

Some cuss words were also used. Other board members interferred. Spurlock denied Brooks' charges; said Walters had received his letter, and was trying to cause trouble. Spurlock also said he had dismissed Miss Hikes from the examining committee, by letter. Miss Hikes says she has never received a letter. Spurlock was highly incensed with Walters and advancing upon the young teacher cried menacingly: "If you want satisfaction you can get it quickly."

Postmaster McCoy, upon recommendation of the board, forwarded to Spurlock a blank form to be used as information in tracing the letter which Spurlock says was mailed to Walters. In order to smooth matters temporarily, the board relieved both McKelvey and Walters and appointed Prof. Calvert to the examining committee.

Prof. Walters is very much hurt by the harsh manner in which he has been treated. After brooding over the matter, he tendered his resignation as a teacher last night and accepted a position in Montana, for which place he will leave next week. Only one member of the board, Cook, sustained Spurlock in his appointment of McKelvey. Other board members present were: J. M. Brooks, A. O. Farquharson, W. H. Spurlock, O. L. Brooks, H. A. Booth, C. E. Smith and the Rev. Smallwood.

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Gives Up

Lipton Admits He Cannot Win Against American Brains

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Aug. 28.—Sir Thomas Lipton declared today in an interview that he would never challenge again for America's cup until a man had been found in England who equalled Nat Herreshoff in yacht building. He said:

"American brains and development have us beaten. If the day ever comes when England produces a Herreshoff then I will challenge for the cup again. It will not be until then. It is

bidding; who will lower their averages, so they will lose their places and at the same time raise the average of your friends. You have lost out on every proposition on this board, now you want revenge."

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unpleasant to be compelled to admit it, but the brains in boat building are on this side of the water. Herreshoff is a wizard. His work is wonderful. None can have admired the Reliance more than I have. She is the best boat, by all odds, and has won on strict merit.

"I am a disappointed man. My hopes were high when I left home and it was believed we would carry the cup.

"Yesterday's fluke only prolonged the agony for me."

NOTED ARTIST DEAD.

(By Associated Press.)

Boston, Mass., Aug. 28.—Frederick L. Olmsted, a noted landscape architect died today at Waverly, Mass., aged 81.

GUARDS ARE REINFORCED.

Sofia, Aug. 28.—The government has dispatched two regiments to the frontier to strengthen the guards and enable them to exercise greater vigilance in view of anticipated attempts of the insurgents to enter Macedonia.